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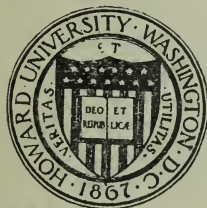
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An Appeal



IN order that a complete record may be made of the part which graduates and students of Howard University have taken and may yet take in the World War, we ask all who know anything about it to send word to us. The facts should be given in full detail very carefully, embracing full name, class and department, and assignment in war work. All our lists are now very imperfect. Additional lists will be published from time to time. We need the help of everybody. Read the following lists and if you know of a name which should be added send word at once to the President, Howard University, Washington, D. C.

HOWARD UNIVERSITY IN THE WAR



SCARCELY had the message of President Wilson declaring that a state of war with Germany existed, gone across the country early in April 1917, than a patriotic response began to stir in the hearts and minds of students of Howard University. The United States Government announced immediately that sixteen training camps for officers would be established and would open May 15. That valiant friend of the Negro, Dr. J. E. Spingarn, raised at once the question whether the members of that race would be admitted to the camps. When it was decided that if trained at all they would be trained in a separate camp, the work of pleading for one began to take large proportions at the University. A committee of one hundred students was appointed to do everything that could be done to make the effort successful. Teachers and students combined in visits to members of Congress, Senators, officers at the War Department and the War College, and any one else who could add to the strength of the cause. A committee of leading colored citizens of the city took an active and helpful part in it.

Finally the establishment of the camp was found to rest upon the question whether or not a sufficient number of suitable young men could be found to take the training. The students of Howard University instantly took steps to settle this question. They sent forth couriers in all directions to all the leading institutions of the race to secure individual pledges to enter the camp. When returns were made the number was found to exceed very greatly the number (1,000) for which the War Department said it would establish the camp. The times were strenuous. The day for the opening of the sixteen camps was at hand before the question of another camp was decided.

At last the matter was fully and clearly decided that a camp for 1250 would be established at the Army Post at Des Moines, Iowa. Preparations were at once made for recruiting. Examinations were made at the Headquarters of each Department of the U. S. Army in the whole country. One additional station was established in Howard University. It is of great interest to note that out of the physical examinations of students a far higher number was passed by the army officers than was the case at any other point. The number assigned to this station was doubled and the surplus went to make good the deficiencies at New York, Charleston, S. C., and at other points.

All the above work arose with the attending excitement forced the University to close ahead of its usual time. Classes were largely broken up by the preparations made necessary by teachers and students for entering the camp, which finally opened June 15, 1917 and continued four months.

As to the success of the camp only praise can be given. The citizens of Des Moines, including the mayor and the chief of police were prominent in commending without reserve the conduct of the men every where outside of camp. In the daily work of the camp, the same thing was said by the commanding officers. No men held up any better than the large group from Howard who not only did their work splendidly but notably helped the morale of the whole camp. The experience was a wonderful one for all who took part in it. The mental training as well as the physical was an example of steadfast accomplishment.

Session of 1917—18

There was very naturally a good deal of uncertainty felt in looking forward to the opening of the session of the University in September 1917. Many members of the student body were sure to receive commissions as officers of the U. S. Army and many young men throughout the country would be prevented from attending by being drafted into service. The registration during the opening days fell about one hundred below that of the previous year. But very soon Clark Hall was full of young men and Miner Hall after taking in more young women than ever

before was obliged to turn away a score of applicants for lack of rooms. The total registration for the year 1917-18 equals that for the year 1916-17, partly because of war work classes which were held during the winter season. We print a statement of the Director of the School of Manual Arts and Applied Sciences concerning the radio class.

Dear President Newman:

The School of Manual Arts and Applied Sciences of Howard University, in immediate response to the request of the Federal Board for Vocational Education to assist in the training of radio operators for service in the Signal Corps of the Army, established a course on November 19th for the training of such men.

The school opened with an enrollment of 65 men which was increased on January 7th to 115 and later to 135. The great majority of these men were recommended for service with the 325th Field Signal Battalion at Chillicothe, Ohio and are now doing splendid work for the Signal Corps, many of these acting as instructors in the capacity of non-commissioned officers. Three men received first class certificates, having developed a proficiency of twenty words of five letters each per minute sending and receiving. Twenty men received second class certificates, having developed a proficiency of from ten to fifteen words per minute sending and receiving. The remainder received third class certificates not having had sufficient time to develop the proficiency for the higher grade certificates as they wished immediate induction into the service when the 325th Field Signal Battalion was being formed.

The classes were held each evening except Saturday and Sunday from seven to nine in the Manual Arts Building and were limited to conscripted men to the second and following drafts and to those who desired induction into the service. The equipment was purchased from the Manual Arts Allotment and competent instructors were provided.

Major Thomas C. Spencer, Chief Signal Officer of the 92nd Division, who visited the school early in January, highly commended the school on the progress it had made. The course was continued until April 19th in order to make ready for the Special War Training courses which are to be given, beginning May 15th.

HAROLD D. HATFIELD.

During the fall we were obliged to appoint quite a large number of substitute teachers in the places of the instructors who had received commissions as officers in the Army, all of whom were given leave of absence during the war. Some of these cases were attended with delay because the places offered were necessarily temporary. But at last all were filled and the work for the year was conducted as satisfactorily as could be expected. From time to time students left one by one to enter war work under some form and some classes were greatly reduced in size.

During the session rumors prevailed that the U. S. Government would ask to use the the University during the summer but nothing certain developed until the month of April. At that time a contract, printed below was made which obliged us to hold its Commencement one month earlier than the regular time in order that the War Department might place three hundred colored soldiers here for technical training.

The Contract

THIS AGREEMENT made this 15th day of April in the year 1918, by and between the United States of America, represented by the War Department Committee on Education and Special Training appointed pursuant to General Orders, No. 15—1918 (hereinafter called the War Department) and Howard University, a corporation of the District of Columbia, having its principal place of business at Washington, in said District, (hereinafter called the Institution.)

WITNESSETH:

FIRST: The Institution agrees to furnish trade and technical instruction for a period of four months beginning about May 15, 1918, to men of the United States Army who may be assigned to it for such instruction by the War Department in the courses of training specified below.

It is contemplated that the number of men to be instructed will be approximately 300 distributed approximately as follows:

NAME OF COURSE	NUMBER OF MEN
Course in Radio Operators	220 men
Course in Bench Wood Workers	60 men
Course in Electricians	20 men
Total	300 men

SECOND: The Institution further agrees:

(a) To conduct the courses so far as possible in conformity with the syllabi, manuals and instructions governing these courses to be issued by the War Department or by the Federal Board for Vocational Education and approved by the War Department.

(b) To furnish or cause to be furnished such suitable workroom and classroom space and equipment, including power, heat and light, and such working tools, materials, supplies and appliances as may be necessary for the instruction above referred to. All equipment which may be delivered to the Institution by the War Department for use in instruction shall be receipted for by the Institution, which shall assume responsibility therefor.

(c) To procure the services of competent instructors for these courses in the approximate proportion of one instructor to twenty men; the number of instructors to be based on the number of men to be trained as above set forth; all instructors for these courses to be appointed subject to the approval of the War Department and to be withdrawn from this duty upon request to this effect from the War Department.

(d) To provide such administrative supervision of the instructors and men as is customary in conducting courses of this type; to keep such records of attendance and progress as may be later prescribed; to exclude from the courses all persons not assigned thereto by the War Department or its authorized representatives.

(e) So far as reasonably possible to provide or secure grounds and facilities for the training of the men in drill and tactics.

(f) To co-operate closely with the War Department and its authorized representatives in all measures they may take for supervision, inspection and development of methods of training, including visits to classrooms and workrooms, personal conferences with and direction of instructors, frequent meetings of groups of instructors, and the like; and to co-operate closely with officers of the Army in all measures they may take for the military training, discipline and general welfare of the men.

(g) To prepare monthly a report in form prescribed by the War Department covering all operations of the month preceding, and to mail this report, if possible, on or before the 10th of each month to the War Department.

THIRD: That the Institution further agrees to provide or procure meals for such men of a quantity and quality equivalent to standard army rations during the period of the training.

FOURTH: That the Institution further agrees to provide or procure suitable lodging, bath and toilet facilities including necessary cots and blankets for such men during the period of their training (provided that the War Department shall furnish the following: 300 blankets.)

FIFTH: That the War Department *in consideration of the foregoing* agrees to pay to the Institution as soon as practicable after receipt of the reports required under par. 2 (g) hereof the sum of one and 70-100 dollars (\$1.70) per day for each man for subsistence and quarters.

FOR THE UNITED STATES

GREENVILL CLARK, MAJ. U. S. R.,
Secretary, Committee on Education and Special Training

FOR THE HOWARD UNIVERSITY

S. M. NEWMAN, *President*
GEO. WM. COOK, *Secretary*

WITNESSES

F. W. HUNNWELL

(Seal)

HAROLD D. HATFIELD

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